ScanEdit Pro

Edit the text of scanned PDFs and images, directly on your device.

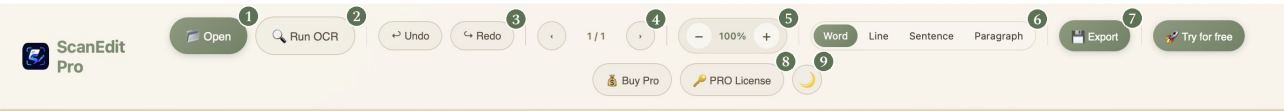
WHAT'S NEW IN 3.1.0

+ **Edits true to the original.** Moved, resized, rotated or recoloured words keep their original letters and resolution: nothing is redrawn in another font.
+ **Original-quality PDF export.** The exported PDF is your original document plus your edits: untouched pages stay identical and files stay light.
+ **Native resolution.** Every page is worked at its own resolution (scans at their dpi, digital PDFs at 300 dpi), and recognition is sharper too.
+ **Original page size.** Exported pages keep the size of the original: A4, Letter, landscape.
+ **Grab and drag.** Press on a word and drag it: it moves at once.
+ **Nothing guessed.** For original words, Font, Size and Style stay empty until you choose them.

Plus everything from 3.0: multilingual OCR, invisible edits, paragraphs that keep their shape.

The toolbar

Every command you need sits in one bar at the top of the editor.



1 **Open** a PDF, JPG or PNG
2 **Run OCR** to recognise the text
3 **Undo** and **Redo**
4 Previous and next page
5 Zoom out and in
6 Selection level: **Word**, **Line**, **Sentence**, **Paragraph**
7 **Export** as PNG or PDF
8 **Buy Pro** and **PRO License** to activate your key
9 Light and dark theme

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Before you start

ScanEdit Pro comes in two versions. Both keep your files on your device: nothing is uploaded, and no account is needed.

– **Web editor** at scaneditpro.com, for desktop browsers: Safari, Firefox, Chrome and Edge. It needs an internet connection to load; your documents stay in the browser.
– **Mac app** for Macs with Apple Silicon (M1 and later). Works fully offline.
– **First launch.** macOS may say it can't verify the app, because it is not yet notarized by Apple: open System Settings → Privacy & Security, click Open Anyway next to ScanEdit Pro and confirm. Only the first time.
– **Free mode.** In the online editor you can edit up to 10 documents for free; free exports carry a small watermark. The Mac app has no free trial: it asks for your Pro Mac license at first start.

– **Pro.** Pro Web €19 and Pro Mac €29, one-time payment, unlimited documents. Press `BUY PRO` to purchase, then `PRO LICENSE` to enter the key you received.

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Open and navigate

Press `OPEN` and choose a PDF, JPG or PNG.

– Multi-page PDFs open page by page: use the arrows next to the page counter to move between pages.
– Use - and + to zoom in on the details.
– The moon button switches between the light and the dark theme.

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Recognise the text

Press `RUN OCR`. ScanEdit Pro reads the page at its native resolution and cleans up the image to make the letters easier to read. It then detects English, Italian, Spanish and French automatically and outlines every recognised word. Light text on dark backgrounds is handled automatically.

> *Tip: straight, well-lit scans at 300 dpi give the most accurate recognition.*

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Select

Choose the selection level in the toolbar, then click the text. Words light up as you hover over them.

– `WORD` a single word
– `LINE` a whole line
– `SENTENCE` a sentence, even across lines
– `PARAGRAPH` an entire paragraph
– Drag a rectangle from an empty area of the page to select every word inside it, or hold Shift over a word.

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Edit the text

The editing window opens on the selected text. You can set:

– **New text**, in the input field
– **Font**: Arial, Helvetica, Verdana, Georgia, Times New Roman, Courier New
– **Size**, in points
– **Style**: Normal, **Bold**, *Italic*, **Bold Italic**
– **Colour**, with the colour picker
– For words that are still original, Font, Size and Style stay empty: ScanEdit Pro never guesses the font of your document. Choose a font only when you write new text; Size starts from the word's own size.
– A live preview shows the result on the page while you type. Press `APPLY` or `ENTER` to confirm, `X` or `ESC` to close without changes.
– ScanEdit Pro removes the original ink and rebuilds the background around the letters, preserving the texture of the paper. Neighbouring words stay untouched, and paragraphs keep their original shape.

You can reopen the same text and edit it again as often as you like.

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Move, rotate, resize

- Press on a word and drag it: it moves at once, with its original letters.
- Or select it first: drag from the centre of the dashed frame to move it, from its edge to resize it.
- Use the ARROW KEYS to nudge it with precision.
- Drag the corner handles to resize a moved word, and the rotation handle to rotate it. The word stays the original one: it is never redrawn.

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Change colour

Select the text, pick a new colour in the editing window and press APPLY. Only the colour of the original letters changes: their shape stays the same. The same works for size. Choosing a new font or style rewrites the text in that font.

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Duplicate and delete

- DUPLICATE copies a word or a whole phrase, ready to be moved and edited.
- DELETE removes the selected text and rebuilds the background in its place, as if it had never been there.

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Undo and redo

UNDO reverts the last change, REDO restores it. Every edit, move, resize, duplication and deletion can be undone.

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Export

Press EXPORT and choose:

- Current page as PNG
- Current page as PDF
- Whole document as PDF
- The PDF is your original document plus your edits: untouched pages stay identical, with their own size and quality, and files stay light. PNG keeps every pixel, without loss.
- The Mac app exports in the same way.
- Before saving you choose the file name. In the browser a small window proposes the original name; on the Mac the standard Save dialog opens. Selection outlines and handles never appear in exported files.

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Keyboard shortcuts

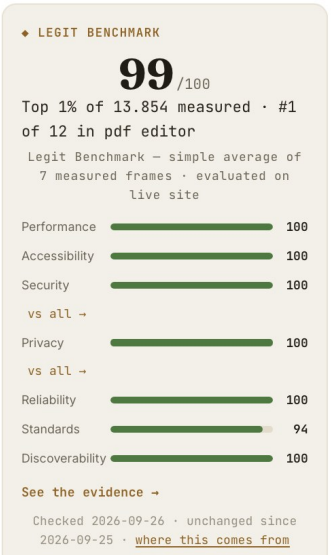
ARROW KEYS	Move the selected text
ENTER	Apply the edit
ESC	Close the editing window
FN + DELETE	Delete the selected text

Undo and Redo are in the toolbar. On Windows and Linux keyboards, use the Delete key.

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Privacy

OCR, editing and export run entirely on your device. No uploads, no account, no tracking cookies. An independent automated audit by Legit.Show scored ScanEdit Pro 99/100, with full marks for security and privacy: top 1% of more than 13,000 services measured.



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